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Sir:

This is Applicant's response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 2004 in which claims 1-19 and 26-28 were rejected and claims 20-25 and 29 were objected to. Applicant requests reconsideration of the claims for the reasons set forth below.

Reply to the Office Action is due on August 19, 2004 without any extension due, as no shortened statutory period was indicated.